

# Redding

## Connecticut

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*Belongs to*  
Fairfield County  
Danbury Labor Market Area  
Housatonic Valley Economic Dev. Region  
Housatonic Valley Planning Area

Incorporated in 1767

### Demographics

<i>Population (1998)</i>				<i>Race/Ethnicity (1998)</i>			
	<i>Town</i>	<i>County</i>	<i>State</i>		<i>Town</i>	<i>County</i>	<i>State</i>
1980	7,272	807,143	3,107,580	White	7,721	636,147	2,648,212
1990	7,927	827,645	3,287,116	Black	38	82,879	274,213
1998	8,123	836,207	3,271,239	Asian Pacific	208	25,592	73,304
2003	8,227	843,924	3,272,149	Native American	7	939	5,952
'98-'03 Growth	1.28%	0.92%	0.03%	Other	0	1,610	5,336
				Hispanic (any race)	149	89,040	264,222
Land Area (sq. miles)	31.51	625.85	4,845	<i>Poverty Rate (1990)</i>	2.30%	6.09%	6.61%
Pop./ Sq. Mile (1998)	257.79	1,336.11	653	<i>Educational Attainment (1990)</i>			
Per Capita Inc. (1998)	\$53,848	\$37,252	\$27,078	Persons Age 25 or Older	<i>Town</i>	<i>%</i>	<i>State</i>
Households (1998)	2,849	308,221	1,229,087	High School Graduate	1,068	19.8%	648,366
Median Age (1997)	41.5	38.1	37.2	Some College	1,383	25.6%	495,696
				Bachelors or More	2,684	49.7%	597,693
<i>Age Distribution (1998)</i>							
	<i>0-4</i>	<i>5-17</i>	<i>18-24</i>	<i>25-49</i>	<i>50-64</i>	<i>65+</i>	<i>Total</i>
Male	255 6%	723 18%	330 8%	1,433 35%	863 21%	443 11%	4,047
Female	250 6%	699 17%	296 7%	1,547 38%	793 19%	491 12%	4,076
County Total	54,813 7%	139,006 17%	64,748 8%	322,604 39%	137,401 16%	117,635 14%	836,207
State Total	216,119 7%	550,400 17%	280,101 9%	1,257,928 38%	499,093 15%	467,598 14%	3,271,239

### Economics

<i>Business Profile (1997)</i>					<i>Top Five Grand List (1997)</i>		
<i>Sector</i>	<i>Firms</i>	<i>% of Total</i>	<i>Emp.</i>	<i>% of Total</i>		<i>Amount</i>	<i>% of Total</i>
Agriculture	22	5.3%	60	3.9%	Bridgeport Hydraulic Company	\$10,778,884	1.17%
Const. and Mining	88	21.0%	250	16.4%	Gilbert & Bennett Limited Partnership	\$9,038,282	0.98%
Manufacturing	18	4.3%	42	2.8%	Perkin Elmer Corp.	\$7,462,000	0.81%
Trans. And Utilities	14	3.3%	49	3.2%	Dominic A. Pagano	\$4,316,280	0.47%
Trade	51	12.2%	224	14.7%	Connecticut Light & Power Company	\$4,268,656	0.47%
Finance, Ins. and Real Estate	18	4.3%	43	2.8%	Grand List Total (1996)	\$917,883,017	
Services	202	48.2%	735	48.3%	<i>Top Five Major Employers (1997)</i>		
Government	6	1.4%	118	7.8%	Redding Fire District	The Redding Road House	
Total	419	100.0%	1,521	100.0%	Spinning Wheel Inn	Mark Twain Library Assoc.	
					Redding Elementary School		
						<i>Town</i>	<i>State</i>
					<i>Retail Sales (1996)</i>	\$13,015,093	\$30,837,967,729

### Education

<i>1995-1996 School Year</i>				<i>Connecticut Mastery Test Percent Above Goal</i>					
	<i>Town</i>	<i>State</i>		<i>Grade 4</i>		<i>Grade 6</i>		<i>Grade 8</i>	
Total Students	1,577	461,203		<i>Town</i>	<i>State</i>	<i>Town</i>	<i>State</i>	<i>Town</i>	<i>State</i>
Total Expenditures Per Pupil	\$9,047	\$8,300		Reading	79 55	86 60	94 64		
Average Teacher's Salary	\$51,222	\$48,598		Math	65 59	66 52	85 51		
Students Attending Public School	88.5%	89.2%		Writing	54 46	73 46	85 51		
Student/Teacher Ratio	15.1	14.5							
Grads Pursuing Post-Sec. Education	92.2%	75.8%		<i>Average SAT Score</i>		<i>Town</i>	<i>State</i>		
High School Dropout Rate	0.7%	4.6%		Verbal		542	503		
<i>Average Class Size</i>				Math		548	499		
Kindergarten 23.2	Grade 2 23.8								
Grade 5 21.0	Grade 7 22.5	High School 20.3							

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